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House Resolution 1359

By: Representatives Royal of the 171st, Rynders of the 152nd, and Houston of the 170th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the 150th anniversary of the founding of Colquitt County, Georgia; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, 2006 marks the 150th year of the existence of Colquitt County and, on the
- 4 occasion of this historical milestone, Colquitt County honors its proud and rich heritage with
- 5 a sesquicentennial celebration; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Colquitt County was created on February 25, 1856, by an Act of the Georgia
- 7 General Assembly and is named for William T. Colquitt, the great American orator, state
- 8 legislator, United States Senator, preacher, militia captain, and lawyer; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the county was renowned as the home of pine barons because of its many pine
- 10 forests and is currently the home of the Sunbelt Exposition, the world's largest agricultural
- 11 exposition, the home of United States Senator Saxby Chambliss, and the beloved home of
- 12 countless people who have been drawn to this lovely site because of the wonderful quality
- 13 of life it provides; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Colquitt County's rolling terrain and fertile soil coupled with its favorable
- 15 climate make it one of the richest farming areas in the nation, earning it the title "Salad
- 16 Capital of the World" in recognition of its abundant vegetable crops; and
- 17 WHEREAS, today, Colquitt County remains a vital and important part of Georgia and a
- wonderful and welcoming home to many of this state's great citizens.
- 19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 20 the members of this body honor the 150th anniversary of Colquitt County and extend their
- 21 best wishes to each and every resident of Colquitt County for many more years of health and
- 22 prosperity.

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Colquitt County Board

3 of Commissioners.